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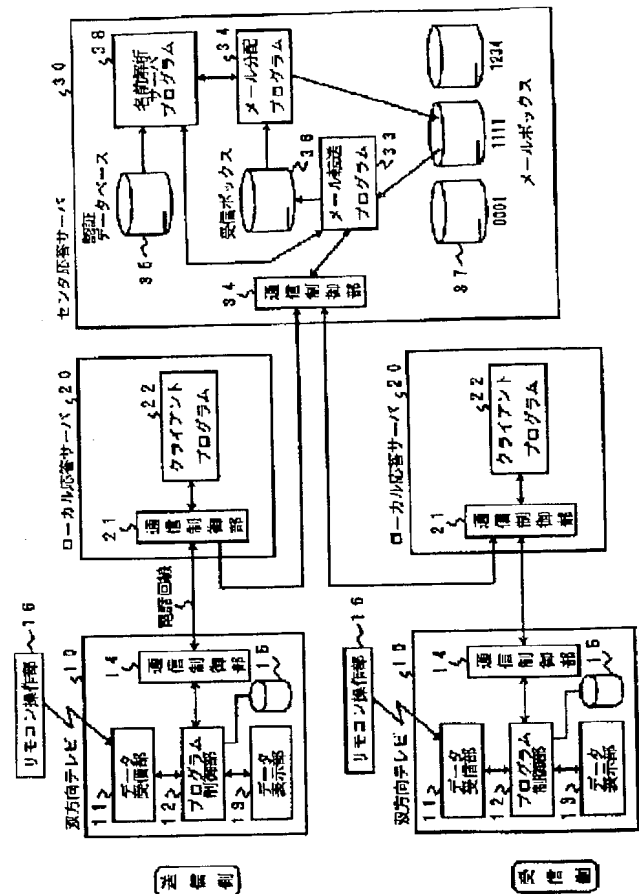
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**ABSTRACT :** PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To make it possible to extend the application of a general home television(TV) up to an electronic mail transmitting/receiving field by providing a TV receiver with specific main transmitting and receiving functions and providing a mail server with specific receiver's mail boxes and a distribution means.

**SOLUTION:** Mail transmitting data consisting of a destination and a main text are prepared by the mail transmitting function of the TV receiver 10 and transmitted to the mail server 30. In the mail server 30, the mail transmitting data are stored in a receiving box 36 and the stored data are distributed to receiver's mail boxes 37 by the distribution means 34 while referring to a certification data base 35. In the mail server 30, a transfer means 33 prepares main receiving data from the mail information distributed to the mail boxes 37 and transmits the prepared data to a receiver's TV receiver 10. The TV receiver 10 displays the received mail by its mail receiving function.

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